

Docket No. 206202US3DIV

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hironori FUJIOKA, et al.

SERIAL NO: 09/848,280

RCE FILED: April 8, 2003

FOR: METHOD OF PRODUCING REDUCED IRON AND PRODUCTION FACILITIES THEREFOR



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SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

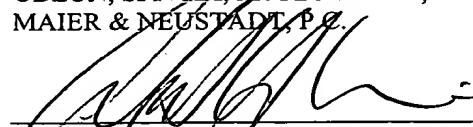
No additional fee is required  
 Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.  
 Additional documents filed herewith: Letter Submitting Drawing Sheet(s); Replacement Drawing Sheets (11)

The Fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS	CLAIMS REMAINING		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID	NO. EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	CALCULATIONS
TOTAL	10	MINUS	20	0	x \$18 =	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT	2	MINUS	3	0	x \$84 =	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS					+ \$280 =	\$0.00
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS						\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduction by 50% for filing by Small Entity						\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Recordation of Assignment					+ \$40 =	\$0.00
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A check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached.  
 Please charge any additional Fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.  
 If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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LETTER SUBMITTING DRAWING SHEET(S)

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SIR:

Responsive to the below indicated communication, the following drawing sheets are submitted herewith:

11 Replacement Drawing Sheets       \_\_\_\_\_ New Drawing Sheets

Official Action dated April 15, 2003  
 Notice of Allowance/Issue Fee dated \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other dated \_\_\_\_\_

The changes and/or modifications made include the following:

The drawing replacement sheets are being submitted to correct the objection of Figs. 15-27B by the examiner.

Respectfully submitted,



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gregory J. Maier".

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